

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1397
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2023**

DENGUE MENACE

1397: SHRI SANJEEV ARORA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

the details of steps Government is taking to avoid diseases soon after monsoon, such as dengue which cause a lot of morbidity, hospitalization and mortality?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(PROF. S.P. SINGH BAGHEL)**

Environmental factors responsible for dengue transmission are rainfall, humidity and temperature. The transmission of dengue is round the year in many states. However, cases increase during monsoon and continues till the post monsoon season due to abundance of vector breeding sites. Hence, Government of India initiates the preventive activities from the beginning of the year.

Government of India (GoI) has taken the following initiatives for prevention and control of Dengue in the Country during the year 2023:

- i. Technical Guidelines for prevention and control, Integrated Vector Management, case management & effective community participation have been disseminated to the States for implementation.
- ii. Situation and preparedness of States have been reviewed at highest level for timely action and technical guidance.
- iii. Advisories have been issued to sensitize the States for preparedness to deal with any future outbreak.
- iv. Trainings have been imparted to doctors on clinical management and to entomologists on Integrated Vector Management.
- v. Free diagnostic facilities through 805 Sentinel Surveillance Hospitals and 17 Apex Referral laboratories identified across the country for detection of cases in early stage to implement public health measures and to prevent further spread.
- vi. National Dengue Day has been observed on 16th May for initiating pre-monsoon activities and anti- dengue month observed in July for community awareness to keep their houses and surroundings mosquito breeding free, and;
- vii. Under National Health Mission, necessary and sufficient budgetary support is provided to States/UTs for dengue control activities i.e., dengue case management, vector control activities (provision of domestic breeding checkers, insecticide, fogging machines etc.), training support, awareness activities, etc.
